# EXPERIMENTAL VALIDATION AND COMBUSTION MODELING OF A JP-8 SURROGATE IN A SINGLE CYLINDER DIESEL ENGINE

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# Research Objectives

- Validate a two-component JP-8 surrogate in a single cylinder diesel engine. Validation parameters include
  - Ignition delay
  - Combustion gas pressure, rate of heat release, and mass-averaged cylinder gas temperature
  - Engine-out emissions
- Develop a reduced kinetic model of the two-component surrogate
  - Mechanism reduction and validation
- Conduct 3D CFD simulation, and compare the results of simulation with those of the experimental data for the surrogate. The parameters under comparisons include
  - Ignition delay
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# Properties of Surrogate Vs. Target JP-8

- The surrogate, named S2, is one of the six surrogates developed and validated in the Ignition Quality Tester.
  - SAE Int. J. Fuels Lubr.2014-01-9077

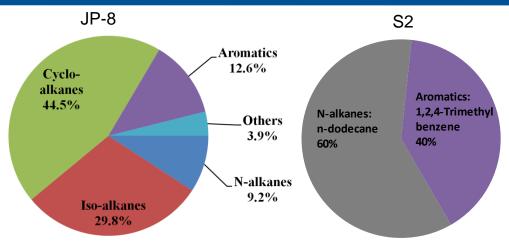


Figure 1. Chemical class composition (%Volume)

Table 1. Properties of JP-8 Vs. Surrogate

| Fuels/Properties               | JP-8   | Surrogate S2 |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| Derived Cetane Number (DCN)    | 50.1   | 50.4         |
| Density @ 25°C (g/cc)          | 0.797  | 0.802        |
| Lower Heating Value (MJ/kg)    | 43.3   | 43.16*       |
| Hydrogen to Carbon (H/C) Ratio | 1.93   | 1.79         |
| Molecular Weight (MW) (g/mole) | 160.96 | 144.06       |
| Threshold Sooting Index (TSI)  | 22.96  | 35.27*       |

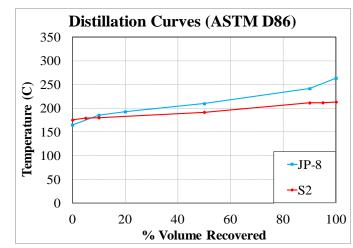


Figure 2. Distillation curves of JP-8 Vs. Surrogate

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated

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# **Experimental Setup and Test Conditions**

### **ENGINE: PNGV (Partnership for a New Generation of Vehicles)**

- Research type, direct injection, four-stroke diesel engine with double overhead camshaft and four valves
  - Horiba Mexa DEGR 7100
    - For recording NOx, CO, and total hydrocarbons
  - SMPS (Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer)
    - For recording particulate matter concentration

**Table 2. Engine Specifications** 

| Engine                    | Single Cylinder, Four-stroke                           |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Displacement Volume (c.c) | 422  |  |  |
| Bore (mm) x Stroke (mm)   | 79.5 x 85  |  |  |
| Combustion Chamber        | Re-entrant bowl piston                                 |  |  |
| Compression Ratio         | 20:1   |  |  |
| Injection System          | Common Rail  |  |  |
| Injector Specifications   | Solenoid, 6 holes, 320 Minisac, 0.131 mm hole diameter |  |  |

**Table 3. Test Conditions** 

| Engine Load              | 3 bar IMEP                      |  |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Engine Speed             | 1500 RPM                        |  |  |
| Swirl                    | 3.77                            |  |  |
| EGR                      | 0 %                             |  |  |
| Intake Air Temperature   | 30°C                            |  |  |
| Intake Air Pressure      | 1.2 bar                         |  |  |
| Rail Pressure            | 800 bar                         |  |  |
| Start of Injection (CAD) | 2.2 bTDC,<br>0.3 bTDC, 1.8 aTDC |  |  |

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### Mechanism Reduction

- Mechanism Source CRECK Modeling
  - Version 1212, December 2012
  - 466 species and 14631 reactions, including NOx mechanisms
- Mechanism Reduction
  - Software: Chemical Workbench, Kintech Laboratory, Moscow, Russia
  - Reduction Methods
    - Path Flux Analysis
    - Computational Singular Perturbation
  - Reduction Criterion: Ignition delay error within ±10%
  - Reduction Parameters
    - Initial set of target species Fuel species (n-dodecane and 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene), Air (O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>), HO<sub>2</sub>, O, H, OH, H<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, and inert species (He and Ar)
    - Reduction conditions Equivalence ratio = 0.5, Temperature = 500-800K

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- Final reduced mechanism
  - 120 species and 1471 reactions

### Mechanism Validation

### **Mechanism Validation**

- DARS Basic
  - 0-D
  - Constant volume homogeneous reactor
  - 0 to 10 ms simulation
  - 50-50 mole fractions of n-dodecane and 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene

**Table 4. Validation Conditions** 

| Test Variables          | Variables Range      |  |  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Temperature (K)         | 700 - 1300 (ΔT = 50) |  |  |
| Pressure (bar)          | 40, 60, 80           |  |  |
| Equivalence ratio (Phi) | 0.5, 1.0, 2.0        |  |  |

# 3D CFD Simulation Models, Settings, and Assumptions

- 3D CFD Software FORTE, Reaction Design, San Diego, USA
- CFD Modules
  - Dynamic cell clustering (DCC)
    - Temperature dispersion = 5 K; Equivalence ratio dispersion = 0.05
- CFD Models
  - Nozzle-flow model Spray initialization
  - Kelvin-Helmholtz/Rayleigh-Taylor (KHRT) model: Spray atomization and droplet breakup
  - Rosin-Rammler model: Size distribution of child drops
  - Radius of influence model: Droplets collision
  - FORTE's wall impingement model: Droplet-wall interaction
  - O'Rourke and Amsden wall film model: Wall film dynamics (Spray impingement, wall conditions, and near-wall gas flows)
  - Re-Normalized Group Theory (RNG) modified model: In-cylinder turbulent flows
  - FORTE's generalized model: Turbulence-chemistry interaction

# 3D CFD Simulation Models, Settings, and Assumptions (Contd ...)

### Settings

- One-sixth sector mesh
- Sector mesh: 17809 cells at BDC
- Simulation conducted from IVC (140 CAD bTDC) to EVO (155 CAD aTDC)

### Two assumptions

- Sinusoidal rate shape was assumed to represent the experimental rate shape
- FORTE's default values of the model constants were used, and were kept the same for all the simulation cases

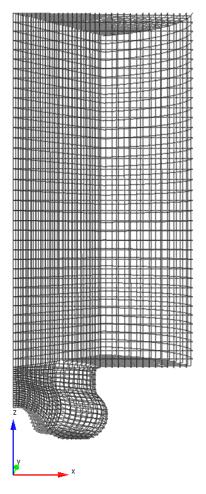


Figure 3. Sector mesh

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### Results: Mechanism Validation

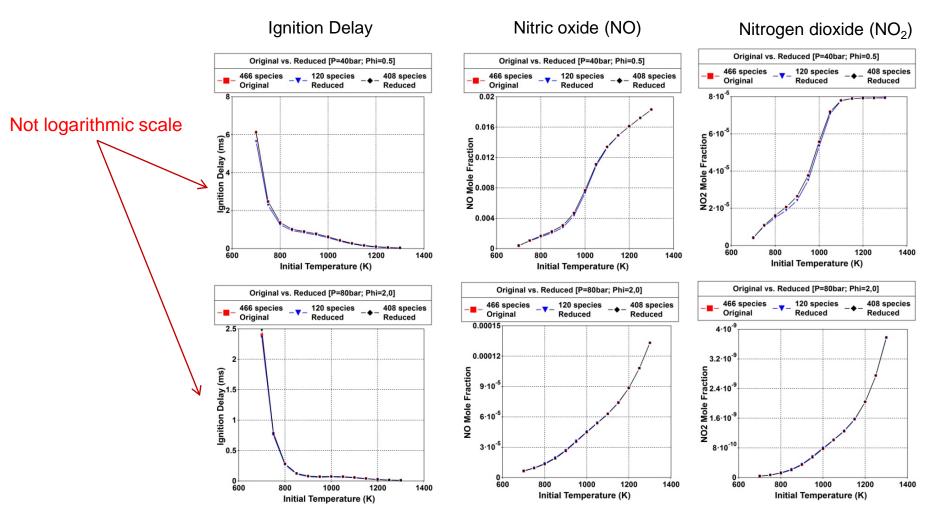
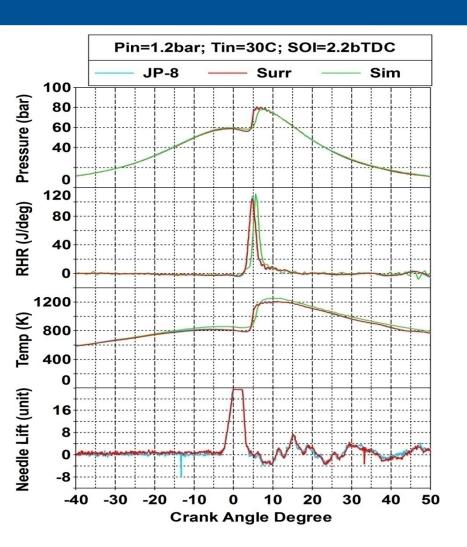


Figure 4. Comparison of reduced and original mechanisms

# Results: Experiments/3D CFD Simulation



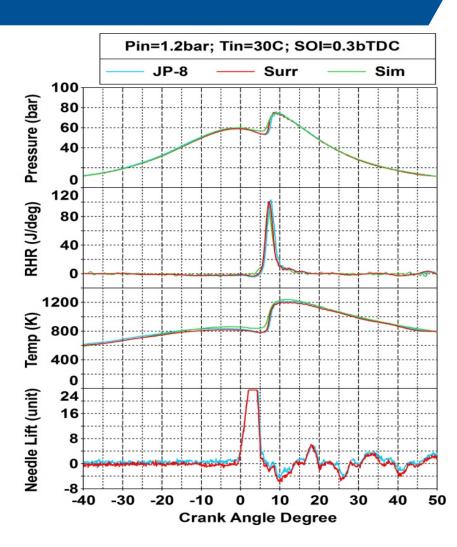


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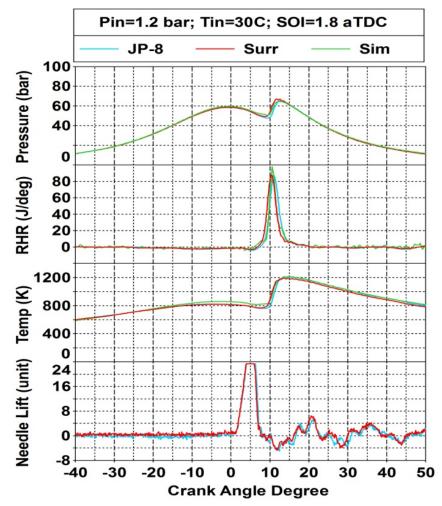


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Table 5. Experimental fuel rate (gm/min)

| Start of Injection (CAD) | JP-8 | S2   |
|--------------------------|------|------|
| 2.2 bTDC                 | 5.69 | 5.67 |
| 0.3 bTDC                 | 5.68 | 5.75 |
| 1.8 aTDC                 | 5.77 | 5.65 |

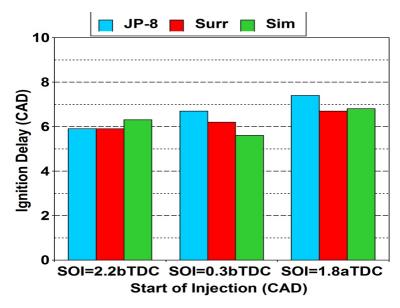


Figure 6. Comparison of Ignition Delays

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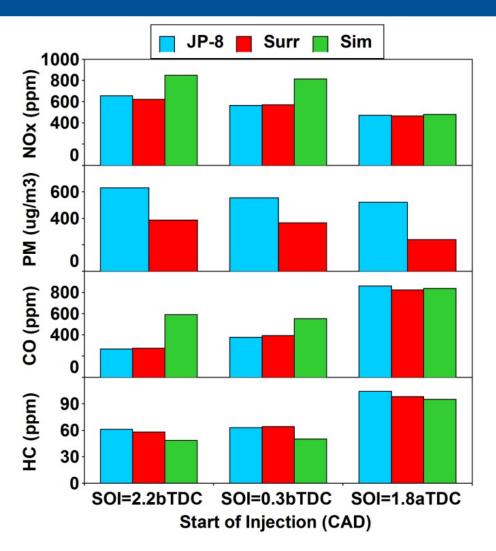


Figure 7. Comparisons of engine-out emissions

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# **Summary and Conclusions**

### **Experimental Validation:**

- At the test conditions analyzed, the two-component S2 surrogate fairly reproduced the following characteristics of the target JP-8:
  - Ignition delays
  - Pressure, RHR, mass-averaged gas temperature
  - Engine-out emissions (CO, HC, NOX), with an exception of the absolute PM values

### **3D CFD Simulation:**

 The simulation results were in fairly good agreement with the experimental data for the surrogate

The two-component S2 surrogate <u>could be</u> a reasonable choice for its use in further investigations on the target JP-8

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